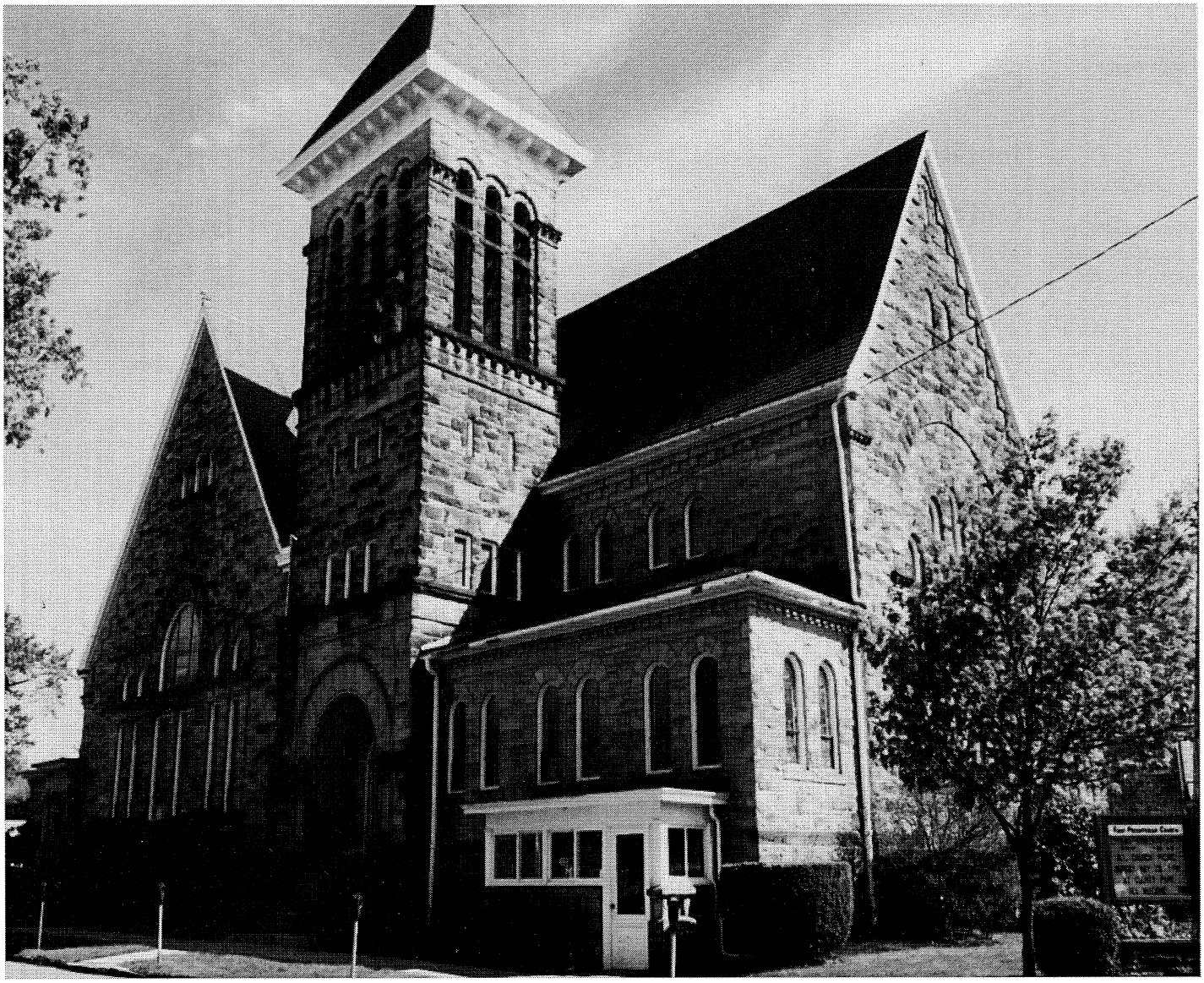
First Presbyterian Church

25th Sunday after Pentecost
November 15, 2026



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We come together to worship, grow, and serve as disciples of Christ.

We Gather in God's Name

(Tune your car radio to 88.7 FM)

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Welcome and Announcements Lector, Tammy Slike

Prelude *Nearer My God To Thee* Marianne Kim, Lowell Mason

We silently shift our focus to God and prepare to worship.

Chiming of the Trinity

Introit *God of The Ages, Whose Almighty Hand*

Please join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in **bold.**

Call to Worship

We lift our eyes to you.
We raise our voices.
The day of the Lord is near,
coming like a thief in the night.
The day of the Lord is near;
the day is coming quickly.
The day of the Lord is near,
and we are your good and faithful servants.

✞Hymn No. 687 *Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*

✞Call to Confession

✞ When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.

✞Prayer of Confession (Unison)

God of abundance, you have given us so many gifts. You bless us with talents, resources, skills, and knowledge, and yet we hide them under a bushel. We hoard these gifts, instead of following you and sharing with those in need. We have been poor stewards of all you have given. Forgive us, and help us grow what we are given, that it might be returned in service to you. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

✞Declaration of Forgiveness

Friends, believe the Good News:
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

✞Gloria Patri

GLORIA PATRI
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen

We Share God's Word

Time with the Children Kara Willy

Prayer of Illumination

First Scripture 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11 (p. 205)

Second Scripture Psalm 90: 1-8, 12 (pp. 547-548)

The words of scripture, inspired by God.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon "God's Eternity and Human Frailty" Rev. Rebecca Mihm

Organ Interlude

✟Hymn No. 12 *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

We Give Thanks To God

✟Affirmation of Faith 6.011 The Westminster Confession of Faith

There is but one only living and true God, who is infinite in being and perfection, a most pure spirit, invisible, without body, parts, or passions, immutable, immense, eternal, incomprehensible, almighty, most wise, most holy, most free, most absolute, working all things according to the counsel of his own immutable and most righteous will.

Call for the Offering

Offering and Offertory *Prayer for Guidance* Allen Pote

✟Doxology

✟ Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

We Go Forth To Serve

✟Hymn No. 305 *Come Sing, O Church in Joy!*

✟Charge and Benediction

Postlude *Festival on "Sine Nomine"* Stephen Aber

DOXOLOGY
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

POSTLUDE
Please remember at the close of the service, the Postlude is a time to silently reflect on God and the mission to which we are called. We ask that you please remain silent and seated until the music has ended.

Welcome Visitors

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church. We are glad to provide hybrid and virtual worship services for this Sunday. Services are currently livestreamed on our Facebook page (First Presbyterian Church of Clarion) in real time, then archived to our website and YouTube channel.

At First Presbyterian Church our mission is to worship, grow, and serve as followers of Jesus. From our youngest to our oldest, we seek to worship God in our actions, grow in God's love, and serve God's people in our community and around the world. We hope that you will come join us so we may personally extend a warm welcome. If you have any questions or particular prayer needs, please feel free to contact the church office at 226-8145 between 9 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.

For more information visit our website at www.clarionfirstpresby.org.

Find us on Facebook! (First Presbyterian Church of Clarion)

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Church Staff and Leadership

Pastor:	Rev. Rebecca Mihm
Organist:	Jean Mitrosky
Director of Music:	Bonnie Champion
Treasurer:	Ann Brooks
Secretary:	Cindy Kapp
Sexton:	Mike Hetrick
Sound Engineer:	Josh Deitz
Video Engineer:	Dan Willy

Ruling Elders:

Class of 2026	Class of 2027:	Class of 2028:
Norma Kooman	Bill Champion	John Joy
Dave Larimer	Matt Kurtas	Marianne Reynolds
Cindy Stants	Kathy Larimer	Tammy Slike

Deacons:

Class of 2026:	Class of 2027:	Class of 2028:
Robin Cable	Barb Beggs	Carolyn McFarland
Mary Swanger	Stacy Hoffman	Glenn Beichner
Joey Kunselman	Bert Louder	Joyce Alberta

Worship Notes

Pastor:	Rev. Rebecca Mihm
Lector:	Tammy Slike
Director of Music:	Bonnie Champion
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Sound Engineer:	Josh Deitz/Jeff Kapp
Video Engineer:	Dan Willy/Kurt Nesbitt
Acolytes:	Andrew Scovel, Nathan Scovel, Sawyer Kunselman, Audrina Champion, Logan Myers, Grace Kunselman, Kennedy Schmader, Dean Stants

Ushers in Charge: Rick and Barb Beggs, Stacy Hoffman

The Sanctuary flowers today are given to the glory of God, in loving memory of Terry Henry, by Pauline Henry.

Today's Schedule

9:00 a.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
9:00 a.m.	Adult Sunday School—Chapel
10:00 a.m.	Worship
11:00 a.m.	Children's Sunday School—CE Building
11:05 a.m.	Congregational meeting

Weekly Deposit Summary 11/1,8/26

NO REPORT

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This Week at First Presby

Monday, November 16
7:00 p.m. Evening Circle—CE Room
Tuesday, November 17
6:00 p.m. NA Meeting
Wednesday, November 18
6:00 p.m. CE Team Meeting
8:00 p.m. AA Meeting
Thursday, November 19
10:00 a.m. Morning Circle — Marilyn's Home
2:00 p.m. Personnel Meeting—Ministry Ctrl.
7:00 p.m. Session Meeting—Chapel
Friday, November 20
6:00 a.m. Thanksgiving Dinner-Social Hall
Saturday, November 21
8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast—Perkins
Sunday, November 22
9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School—Chapel
9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
10:00 a.m. Worship
11:00 a.m. Children's Sunday School—CE bldg.
11:00 a.m. Hanging of the Greens

Announcements

—**There will be a congregational meeting** following worship today for the purpose of electing officers and members to committees and to vote on the Pastor's Terms of Call.

—**Red Kettle Bell ringers needed! No musical abilities required!** On Friday, December 4th the Clarion First Presbyterian Church is scheduled to ring the Salvation Army Red Kettle Bell at Clarion Walmart from 4:00pm -7:00pm in half hour time slots. You can be a solo ringer, ring with friends, or ring as a family. It's only 30 minutes and in that time your heart will be warmed by the generosity of others. If you are interested in helping, please sign up in the ramp room. Any questions please call or text Cindy Stants at 814-221-2508.

—**There is a sign-up sheet in the ramp room** for the Thanksgiving Dinner on Nov. 20, 2026. Please sign up if you are planning to attend the Thanksgiving Dinner. We need to know how many people to prepare for. Thank you!

Announcements (Continued)

—**Due to our church's** Thanksgiving Dinner on Friday, November 20, we are moving the **Men's Breakfast to Perkins** on Saturday, November 21 at 8:00a.m. Hope to see you there.

—**Hanging of The Greens is next Sunday 11/22** after the church service.

—**Please fill out** the enclosed form for this years Christmas Poinsettias. They are $9.00/ea. and the deadline is 11/29/26. Thank you!

Slate of candidates for the congregational meeting.

Session:

Suellen Gourley
Elaine Matticks
Cindy Stants

Deacons:

Jeff Kapp
Dana Solida
Kara Willy

Nominating Committee:

Joyce Alberta
Cindy Kapp
Norma Kooman
Robin Cable
Jeff Deitz

Prayer List

Pauline Henry
Jeff Deitz
Mary Ann Lees
Dave Steward
Charlie Kurtas
Tom Goble
Ron Montgomery
Jim McConnell
Jean Mitrosky
Molly Giering and family
Ruth Ann Minich
Beverly Wentling
All our homebound members

Mary Biser
Charlotte Hartman
Ben McKinley
Anthony Louder
Pat Hargest
Alexandra Sharrar
Mary Kay Arth
Mason Martin and family
Rob Summerville
Cori
Chuck Reninger
Kay Caller
Amy Benhoff
Ryan Cornicki
Don Neiderriter
Shawn Martin
John McConnell
Alec Booth
Darlene Hargenrader
Bernice Yockey
Nancy Mills
Dudley Fye
Mark Willy
Syncere Caesar(7 yr. old with leukemia)
Lynn Hefner
Archer Kunselman
Doug Arth
A family struggling with a difficult situation
Gigi

Prayer List (Continued)

Jen Kaufman
Alden Hartman
Cynthia Copenhaver
Melissa McNutt
Dale Wentling
Galen Shirey
Terry
Alice H.
Kwantee Stamm

Around the World

Everyone serving in the US Military
Gitwe Congregation in Rwanda, our faith partners

Bereaved: Please remember the friends and family of:

Jill Siegel

Homebound Member of the Week

Sam Spencer
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